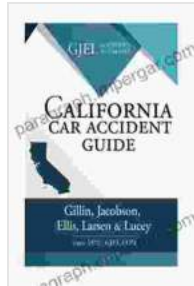


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If you're involved in a car accident in California, it's important to know what to do to protect your rights and get the compensation you deserve.

This comprehensive guide will provide you with everything you need to know about what to do after a car accident in California, including:

- Getting medical help
- Exchanging information with the other driver
- Filing an insurance claim
- Hiring a personal injury attorney

What to Do After a Car Accident in California

If you're involved in a car accident, the most important thing to do is to stay calm and assess the situation.

1. **Check for injuries.** First, check yourself for injuries. If you're injured, call 911 immediately.
2. **Move to safety.** If you're able to move, move yourself and your passengers to a safe location away from traffic.
3. **Exchange information.** Once you're safe, exchange information with the other driver(s) involved in the accident. This includes your name, address, phone number, insurance information, and license plate numbers.
4. **Take photos.** If possible, take photos of the accident scene, including the damage to your vehicle and the other vehicles involved.
5. **Report the accident.** You must report the accident to the California Highway Patrol (CHP) within 10 days if there is property damage of \$1,000 or more, or if anyone is injured. You can report the accident online, by phone, or in person at a CHP office.
6. **File an insurance claim.** You should file an insurance claim as soon as possible after the accident.
7. **Hire a personal injury attorney.** If you've been injured in a car accident, you may want to consider hiring a personal injury attorney to help you get the compensation you deserve.

Getting Medical Help

If you're injured in a car accident, it's important to get medical help right away. Even if you don't feel like you're seriously injured, it's important to get

checked out by a doctor to rule out any hidden injuries.

Some common injuries from car accidents include:

- Head injuries
- Neck injuries
- Back injuries
- Broken bones
- Lacerations
- Bruises

If you're experiencing any of these symptoms, it's important to seek medical attention right away:

- Headache
- Nausea
- Vomiting
- Dizziness
- Blurred vision
- Numbness or tingling
- Pain

Exchanging Information with the Other Driver

After you've gotten medical help, you should exchange information with the other driver(s) involved in the accident.

The information you should exchange includes:

- Name
- Address
- Phone number
- Insurance information
- License plate numbers

It's also a good idea to take photos of the other driver's insurance card and license plate.

Filing an Insurance Claim

After you've exchanged information with the other driver, you should file an insurance claim.

To file an insurance claim, you will need to provide the following information:

- Your name and contact information
- The other driver's name and contact information
- The date, time, and location of the accident
- A description of the accident
- Photos of the accident scene
- A copy of the police report (if there was one)

You can file an insurance claim online, by phone, or in person at your insurance company's office.

Hiring a Personal Injury Attorney

If you've been injured in a car accident, you may want to consider hiring a personal injury attorney.

A personal injury attorney can help you with the following:

- Filing an insurance claim
- Negotiating a settlement with the insurance company
- Filing a lawsuit if necessary

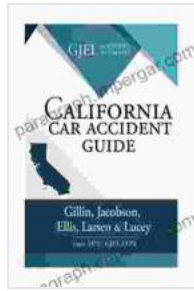
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When interviewing an attorney, be sure to ask about their experience, fees, and success rate.

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If you've been injured in a car accident, don't hesitate to contact a personal injury attorney to discuss your legal options.

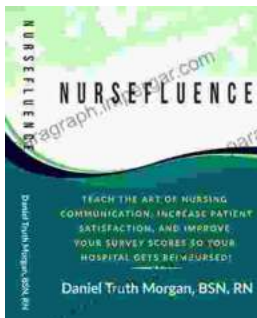


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